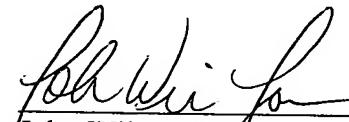


REMARKS

Claims in the Application. Claims 10-11 have been added to this application. Claims 1-9 have been amended. Accordingly, Claims 1-11 are active in this application.

Conclusions. The claims of the instant application are in condition for allowance. Early notice to that effect is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



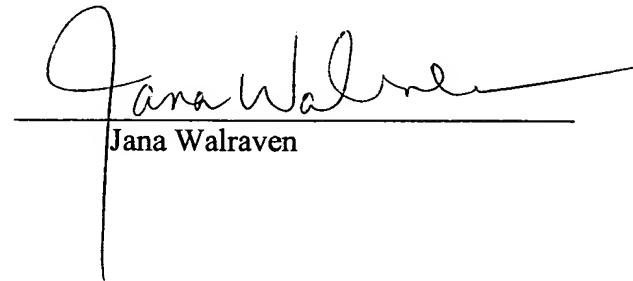
John Wilson Jones
Registration No. 31,380

LOCKE LIDDELL & SAPP LLP
600 Travis, Suite 3400
Houston, Texas 77002-3095
Telephone No.: (713) 226-1142
Facsimile No.: (713) 229-2570

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any corresponding documents are being mailed first class U.S. Mail to the Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this the 25th day of June, 2003.

Dated: June 25, 2003



Jana Walraven

Jana Walraven